

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A bucky device comprising:
 - an X-ray image detector;
 - an anti-scatter grid removably mounted onto an extractable peripheral frame;
 - a first chamber disposed to house the grid in an active position in which the grid is positioned upstream of the X-ray image detector in respect to x-ray impingement; and
 - a second chamber disposed to house the grid in a storage position in which the grid is positioned downstream of the X-ray image detector in respect to x-ray impingement.
2. (Original) A system according to claim 1 and also comprising a source of X-ray radiation.
3. (Original) A system according to claim 1 and wherein the X-ray image detector is a digital X-ray image detector.
4. (Original) A system according to claim 1 and wherein the bucky device also comprises an automatic exposure control device.
- 5-6. (Cancelled)
7. (Currently Amended) A system according to ~~claim 5~~ claim 1 wherein the extractable frame comprises at least one handle.

8. (Original) A system according to claim 1 and also comprising motorized means to facilitate grid extraction, insertion and positioning.

9. (Original) A system according to claim 1 and also comprising visible lights indicating the status of the anti-scatter grid.

10. (Currently Amended) An X-ray method comprising:

providing a digital bucky including an image detection module and an anti-scatter grid removably mounted onto an extractable peripheral frame, wherein the anti-scatter grid has an active position upstream of the image detection module with respect to X-ray impingement and a storage position downstream of the image detection module with respect to X-ray impingement;

performing at least one X-ray imaging procedure which employs the anti-scatter grid and at least one X-ray imaging procedure which does not employ the anti-scatter grid; and

between the procedures, disposing the anti-scatter grid from a first position from among its the active and storage positions, to a second position from among its the active and storage positions.

11. (Currently Amended) An X-ray method according to ~~claim 9~~ claim 10 and wherein the step of disposing the anti-scatter-grid ~~[[is]]~~ comprises partially or fully motorized disposing.